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**World History, Ch. 15, Sec. 1, “The Decline of the Qing Dynasty,” Study Guide**

1. What is the main idea of the “Causes of Decline” section?
- 2-6. List five internal problems China experienced that contributed to the decline of the Qing dynasty?
7. What does, “The British had an unfavorable trade balance in China,” mean?
8. What were the three major products the British were importing from China?
9. What was the major product from India—not a drug--that the British were exporting to China?
10. What did the British sell to the Chinese to improve its unfavorable trade balance?
11. Why did Chinese leaders object to the importation of opium?
- 12-15. List four terms of the Treaty of Nanjing ending the Opium War (1839-1842)?
16. Define extraterritoriality.
- 17-21. List five social reforms supported by leaders of the Tai Ping Rebellion?
22. Which side did the Europeans support during the 14-year Tai Ping Rebellion?
23. Why is the Tai Ping Rebellion also called a civil war?
24. Summarize what happened because of the Treaty of Tianjin in 1858.
25. What did Chinese reformers mean by the term “self-strengthening”?
26. What territory in China did Russia seize?
27. What were spheres of influence?
28. What country defeated China in 1894?
29. What European country demanded and received territory in the Shandong Peninsula in 1897?
30. Why **weren’t** the reforms issued during the One Hundred Days of Reform successful?

31. What role did Empress Dowager Ci Xi play in Chinese history?
32. What is the main idea of the “Responses to Imperialism” section?
33. How did the Open Door policy created by the U.S. help China?
34. Why were participants in the next major rebellion in China called Boxers?
35. What were the Boxers upset about?
36. How was the Boxer Rebellion put down?

**Use the “Spheres of Influence in China, 1900” map on page 489 to answer the following questions.**

37. Which European country had the largest sphere of influence?
38. Describe the extent of the United States influence in China.
39. What country controlled the Shandong Peninsula?
- 40-41. What country controlled Vladivostok? Use a map at the front of the book to see if that country still controls it today?
42. What territory is controlled by Japan?

**Answer the question below from the “History & Arts: The Opium War” section on page 491.**

43. Why were treaties signed by the Chinese in the 1800s called unequal?
44. How does the illustration help to explain why China accepted an unequal treaty?
45. Use the chart to explain how the Opium trade changed between 1729 and 1838.

**Answer the questions below using the political cartoon on page 494.**

46. Why is Uncle Sam shown with a briefcase and an umbrella?
47. Why do guns, bayonets, and a German-style helmet appear in the open door?
48. What do you think would have happened if the United States had not stepped in with its Open Door policy?